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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This amendment is in response to an Office Action mailed November 6, 2001, in which claims 1-10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 (first and second paragraphs) and claim 20 was objected to. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks.